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APPLICANT

RISTIC, et al.

SERIAL NO

09/810,764

FILED

March 16, 2001

TITLE

MAIZE CHLOROPLAST PROTEIN SYNTHESIS ELONGATION

FACTORS AND METHODS OF USE FOR SAME

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Docket No.

P03965US1

TRANSMITTAL FOR REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)

To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Madam:

In response to the Office of Petitions Action dated March 18, 2002, entitled "Decision Granting Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.78(a)(6) and Refusing Status Under 37 CFR § 1.47 (a)" are the following documents being submitted to the Patent Office:

- (1) A Response to Notice of Missing Parts:
 - (a) A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application,
 - (b) Declaration Not Accompanying Application, signed and dated by the inventors:

Zoran Ristic, dated May 15, 2002

Shailendra K. Bhadula, dated May 15, 2002 Genping Yang (unsigned -- see #2 below) Thomas E. Elthon, dated May 17, 2002 Jeffrey E. Habben, dated May 16, 2002

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Heidi S Nebel

(c) Declaration for Signature by Joint Inventors on Behalf of Nonsigning Inventor Who Cannot Be Reached (37 CFR § 1.47(a)), signed and dated by the joint inventors:

Zoran Ristic, dated May 15, 2002 Shailendra K. Bhadula, dated May 14, 2002 Thomas E. Elthon, dated May 14, 2002 Jeffrey E. Habben, dated May 16, 2002

- (d) A \$130 surcharge for late filing of oath or declaration under 37 CFR § 1.16(e).
- (2) Request For Reconsideration of Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.47(a) To Accept Filing On Behalf of Nonsigning Inventor, with the following attachments:
 - (a) A copy of the Decision Granting Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.78(a)(6) and Refusing Status Under 37 CFR § 1.47(a);
 - (b) Statement of Facts in Support of Filing on Behalf of Nonsigning Inventor (37 CFR § 1.47):
 - (i) Statement of Facts by Patricia E. Wilson WITH Exhibits 1-8;
 - (ii) Statement of Facts by Lila A.T. Akrad WITH Exhibits A-B.
 - (c) \$130 petition fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(i).

If any additional fees are needed, please charge Deposit Account No. 26-0084.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR.1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	141 1,280 241 640 Petition to revive - unintentional					
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103 18 203 9 Claims in excess of 20	146 740 246 370 Filing a submission after final rejection					
102 84 202 42 Independent claims in excess of 3 104 280 204 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	(37 CFR § 1.129(a))					
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110 18 210 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20	179 740 279 370 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)					
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To Whom It May Concern:

Our firm is representing Dr. Zoran Ristic at the University of South Dakota, Biology Department. We are writing regarding the last known home address of Dr. Genping Yang who worked in Dr. Ristic's laboratory from May 1, 1995 to April 30, 1997. Dr. Ristic has checked his records and does not have the last known home address of Dr. Yang. Dr. Ristic has asked us to contact you to obtain the information. It would be greatly appreciated if you could please fax the information back to me at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your time.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

LILA A. T. AKRAD, on behalf of

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